### CAMP-FIRE STORIES.

HEROIC JOHNNY CLARK.

A Reminiscence of the Campaign in the Powder River Country.

Right away after Lee's surrender the Government sent the cavalry brigade to which I was attached to Laramie and Julesburg, and from these points commands were sent out into the Powder River country. The Indian was at his best in those days, defiant, independent and aggressive, and the Powder river expedition was in danger of attack every hour of the day or night. When we left Laramie a boy fifteen years old, who gave his name as Johnny Clark, got permission to go with us. A year before that his father and mother had been killed in one of the frontier raids, and his sister Mary, a girl of ten years, had been carried off prisoner. It was in hopes to learn some thing of her that he went along. He was thin in flesh, ragged and bare-handed, and it was pitiful to think of a boy like that starting out on such an errand. His case touched the hearts of the rough men, and before the day of starting we had provided him with a new suit of clothes, a Winchester rifle, revolver and a horse. latter was furnished him on the quiet by the quartermaster, and when we got started every man felt that one of the objects of the expedition was to help Johnny Clark learn the fate of his sister. From the day of our start the Indians kept us in sight, and at every favorable opportunity they made an attack. We had lost nine or ten men when the order was given to 'bout face for Laramie, the command having penetrated as far into the unknown country as required by orders. We took up the line of march early one morning, and had scarcely moved out of camp when it was seen that the redskins had gathered in force and meant to attack us. We closed up, threw out flankers and kept moving, but at eleven o'clock they appeared in such numbers, and seemed so determined to attack, that we halted in a natural dip and made preparations for a fight. We had then less than two hundred men, and the force of Indians was estimated at fully two thousand. They encircled us as soon as we dismounted, and for two or three hours we fought them at long range. They had some long-range rifles among them, and several of our men were killed or wounded while we waited for them to At three o'clock in the afternoon a

band of twenty hunters and trappers appeared in the distance, having been attracted by the firing, and as a portion of the Indians rode off to hold this reinforcement at bay, we were ordered to mount and get ready to charge that which remained. We were all anxious enough, knowing this was our only way out, and presently we got the word and dashed away, riding straight at the spot where the Indians were thickest, and depending on the saber alone. They gave way at our approach, but not to retreat, and we charged time and again before we finally started a panic which routed them. I don't believe one Indian in twenty had ever seen a cavalry charge or a saber before. Our blades were sharply ground, and whenever we got to them their heads had to suffer. Our horses knocked their light ponies head over heels whenever they stood for us, and as we were constantly on the move, we escaped most of the bullets fired by their flankers.

Just as we got the whole force of Indians on the run some one cried out that Johnny Clark was missing. A quarter of an hour later, when gathering up our dead and wounded, we found the boy in the dip where he had first taken refuge. dond and sealned. For some reason he had not been ready to mount when we did, and his horse had gone off in the charge and left him there on foot and alone. While we were charging to and fro a mile away, a gang of redskins had set out to capture the boy. One, to look at his big blue eyes and girlish face, would have doubted if he had the courage to shoot at an Indian. The boy realized his helpless situation, rolled four or five loose rocks together, used some of the camp baggage to strengthen the position, and then waited. I am telling you what has been officially reported when I say that he killed seven Indians before they got his life, and the last two he killed with his revolver within ten feet of his body. The seven were lying within rifle shot of him, and there were two dead ponies besides. The poor boy had been shot through the neck, and recognizing in him a brave and worthy foe, the Indians had simply taken the scalp. This we found at the girdle of a warrior killed on another part of the field.-Detroit Free Press.

# NAVAL DISCIPLINE.

How Commodore Preble Reproved Gal.

lant Lieutenant Decatur. Nearly twenty years of my early life -from the grade of midshipman to that Sherman and Sheridan. of lieutenant-were spent in what Commander in Chiler might now be called the old navy, says a letter from Princetch, N. J., to the New York Times. During those years I sailed in various ships with various officers, but in all my experience I never knew one who so far forgot what was due to his position or himself as to strike a sailor with his fist or to chase him about the deck with a belaying-pin, as appears to have been the custom on board the United States ship Enterprise.

As a youngster I remember hearing a story which may interest some of your readers and at the same time illustrate what was the thought of that kind of discipline (or the want of it) by the oldtime heroes of the service.

Early in the century one of the most distinguished officers of the navy was the first Commodore, Preble. The gallant Decatur-who afterward became so famous-was a Lieutenant on board a ship commanded by him. One day, in a moment of passion, Decaknocked a man down. Such an unof breach of discipline was at orted to the Commodore, and r was suspended from duty. lays he was sent for by Comand received a lecture

manly follow that he purchase the tract.

was, he promptly admitted his wrong-doing, and proposed to make such repara-tion as was possible. He suggested, however, that he had naturally a violent temper, and sometimes could not con-

"Mr. Decatur," replied the Commo dore, "since you have been on board this ship I have been obliged on several occasions to caution you, and once or twice to speak pretty sharply, and yet, sir, you have never knocked me down. When you do that I will believe you can not control your temper. That is all, sir. You can return to your duty." It was said that through his future brilliant career Decatur never forgot that rebuke. Perhaps some of the officers of the Enterprise might "profit by his example" after the reprimand.

#### A FOUR-WORD SPEECH.

One of the Most Effective Grations De livered by General Grant-

During the war Major Wham was Lieutenant in General Grant's regiment, the Twenty-first Illinois, and was as fortunate bodily then as he has been

"We were in for thirty days at first and had a Colonel who wore two pistols in his belt and made speeches on dress parade," he said to a circle of friends at the Ebbitt last night. "We refused to enlist unless we could have a new Colonel, and the case was presented to Governor Dick Yates while the regiment was encamped at Springfield. It was then that Colonel U. S. Grant was assigned to our regiment and the Governor suggested that the boys be enthused with some speeches by Logan and one or two others. The programme was carried out, and boys, who had been worked up to a three-cheers-anda-tiger state of mind, and were accustomed to speeches from their old Colonel, called for 'Grant,' 'Grant,' 'Colonel Grant,' with the accent on both words. There was a slight hesitation, and then Colonel Grant, who had been sitting down, arose and made an effective speech without exhausting the English language. It could be hardly divided into the three parts required by rhetoricians, for it consisted of but four words, to-wit:

"Go to your quarters." "I told the story once at a reunion when Grant was present, and the veterans took it with a storm of applause, but the old commander never smiled. It was one of those incidents of necessary army discipline which he thought ought never to be alluded to at reunions, and I have never told it since."

"What did you think of your Colonel those days?" was asked.

"A man that couldn't see Grant had the elements of greatness in him was a shoat himself," was the reply. "We all said then he was bound to climb the ladder of fame, and the world has seen our prophecy fulfilled."-Washington Star.

General Crook as a Huntsman.

"General Crook was very fond of hunt ing," said Lieutenant Kennon, "and was one of the best shots I ever saw. When he was a young officer he always did the hunting for his mess. In those days sometimes the mess bills exceeded the officers' salaries, and I have heard General Crook tell how they made him caterer, and by his intimate knowledge of the Indians' economical methods of cooking, and his luck at hunting the mess was soon able to declare dividends. I have been with him on many hunting trips, and I never saw a better or a steadier shot. Sage hens are not the easiest game to bag, and yet I have seen him repeatedly drop a bird out of a flock with each barrel, but not only that, he would kill a chicken every time. His eye was so quick that while aiming he could select the chicks instantaneously, With all his experience and trials General Crook was as simple as a child. He was straightforward and truthful, and had no patience with concealment or trickery. He never broke his word to white man or red man."-Washington Star.

# RANDOM SHOTS.

It is proposed to retire General John C. Fremont with the rank of Major-General.

THE W. R. C. army nurse petition for pensions is now 3,100 feet long and contains 100,000.

MISS CLARA BARTON is the only American who is entitled to wear the iron cross of Prussia. THE ground on which Andersonville

prison stood now belongs to a negro, who farms the land each year. Ir is expected that Congress will make an appropriation of \$40,000 toward com-

pleting the Soldiers' Home at Marion, Ind. THERE have been five Lieutenant-Generals of the United States Army-

Washington, Scott, Grant, Sherman and Sheridan; and three Generals-Grant, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF ALGER, during his term as head of the Grand Army o

the Republic, will probably be in at-

tendance at a greater number of department encampments than any of his predecessors, and everywhere he is receiving a true soldier's greeting. THE annual report of the Assistant Adjutant General of the Department of Minnesota makes the following showing: Net gain in membership during the

past year, 194; membership in good standing December 31, 1889, 9,346; loss by deaths during the year, 76. Financial condition as follows: Receipts, \$3, 577.52; disbursements, \$3.587.36; number of posts, 178.

MRS. JAMES B. CARTER, of Philadelphia, owns the historic revolutionary battlefield of Valley Forge, having come into its possession by inheritance from her uncle three years ago. Mr. Carter has been drawing attention to its real value from a patriotic standpoint ever since his wife inherited it, and now, as a result, it is undecided whether the United States Government, the Patriotic Sons of America, the W. C. T. U. of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, a summer hotel syndicate or a nade both of his ears tin- New York syndicate of brewers will

#### FIGHT FOR DIAMONDS.

Desperate Assault on a Jewelry Salesman by a Would-be Robber in a Room of the Palmer House at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Apvil 4 .- A bold attempt to rob a leading jewelry firm of \$1,500 worth of diamonds was made Thursday by a young man who registered at the Palmer House last Sunday under the dame of Ralph A. Allen. Yesterday afternoon Allen sent to Hyman, Berg & Co.'s jewelry store and requested the firm to send some diamonds to him for inspection, as he was suffering from a sprained ankle and unable to visit their store. William A. Bigler, a salesman for the firm, carried \$1,500 worth of stones to Allen's room. After carefully examining all the jowels Allen selected one ring and a pin.

While the salesman was repacking the remainder of the diamonds, Allen came up behind him and struck him a terrible blow with a heavy cane on the back of the head, knocking him down. As the salesman got upon his feet and faced his assailant, Allen struck him again, cutting a wound two inches long in the scalp. The wounded man screamed and Allen, without stopping to grab the package of diamonds, rushed out of the room and ran down the hallway. After an exciting chase Allen was captured by an employe of the hotel and taken to the Harrison street station. Bigler's wounds are not dangerous unless inflammation should set in.

When searched at the station a notebook, issued by the Union Trust Company of Philadelphia, and bearing the name of George A. Pearce was found in one of his pockets. The prisoner would not talk about his past life more than to say that he was not willing to tell his true name and bring disgrace on his mother and father.

#### CAUGHT IN THE ACT.

A Quartette of Counterfelters Arrested While Making the Bogus Money.

BUFFALO, April 4 .- United States Seeret Service Agent Bagg, assisted by the police, made a clever capture of a gang of counterfeiters Wednesday night. The posse made a raid upon a roon on the top floor of No. 32 East Genessee street. The door was smashed in and seated about a counterfeiting outfit with new bogus dollars scattered around them were found Edward Sylvester, Charley Mann and Harry Williams. They were quickly handcuffed and taken to the police station. They are a pretty tough trio. Sylvester is about thirtyfive years of age and a well-known counterfeiter. Mann is none other than Charles Mc-

Cran, a notorious desperado, a native of Lockport, and has, with his brother, "Big Frank," been under surveillance of the police in all parts of the country. Williams about a month ago was exhibiting at "Wonderland" his cleverness in cutting designs on cards with a knife and selling the product of his genius to onlookers. At the station house Sylvester, who is credited with being the ringleader, broke down and cried like a child. He told the police that it was lucky they came when they did, for he intended leaving town yesterday.

Patrick McKeon, of Binghamton, was also arrested, charged with passing counterfeit half dollars. The gang of counterfeiters were arraigned at noon and committed for examination on Monday next.

# PHONOGRAPH WONDERS.

Practical Illustration of the Results Ac-

complished by the Machine. NEW YORK, April 4 .- An interesting illustration of the practical operations of the phonograph was given at the Hoffman House last evening. The occasion was a banquet tendered to his old army comrades by Colonel G. E. who has bee or years identielectrical inventions to useful purposes in European countries. Although Colonel Gouraud is an American and served with distinction as a staff officer in the Union Army during the Civil War, he resides in England. The military feature of the evening was Colonel Gouraud's special muster into the Grand Army of the Republic.

The guests were summoned to the dining hall by the bugle call which had been played into a phonograph at Lon don by the band of the Coldstream Guards, and during the dinner the phonograph continued to astonish and delight the company with reproductions of instrumental music. Mr. Gladstone's address was reproduced again by request, as at the recent meeting of the Lawyers' Club. Colonel Gouraud will return to London and carry back with him the resolutions adopted at the Lawyers' Club complimentary to Mr. Gladstone, who will hear them from the phonograph in General Sherman's voice.

# UNGRATEFUL EMIN.

Terrible Roasting Given the Explorer b/an English Baronet Who Was Active in the Movement to Rescue Emin from Almost Certain Death.

LONDON, April 4.-The Pall Mall Gazette publishes an interview with Sir Francis DeWinton, president of the Emin Bey relief committee. Sir Francis, after expressing bitter indignation at the course pursued by Emin in giving the benefit of his Arican experience and knowledge to Germany, declares that he has in his possession letters from Emin in which the latter begs to be relieved from his precarious position at Wadelai. Sir Francis regards Emin Bey as a man absolutely devoid of either gratitude or generosity, and asserts that his action in cutting away from Stanley and the English will lower him in the estimation of the civilized world.

# Double Hanging.

HOMERVILLE, Ga., April 4.-Robert McCoy and William Hicks, colored, were hanged here Thursday for the murder of William Hughes and his wife, last November. The drop fell at 1:03 p. m. and fourteen minutes later both men were pronounced dead from strangulation. Both the culprits made a confession on the gallows, implicating Dave Register, a white man, who they said paid them \$35 to murder the old couple. Robert Saxton, who was also implicated and under arrest for complicity in the crime, tried to escape before being crime, tried to escape before being brought to trial, but was shot and killed by a deputy sheriff while trying to escape.

### YEARS OF LABOR LOST.

and Results of Foreclosure Proceedings Against Jersey Farmers—One of the Vic-tims Becomes Insane and Suicides.

HARBOR CITY, N. J., April 5 .- One of the most exciting events ever known in this section took place Thursday and Friday in the form of a sheriff's sale of lands of the Germania districts, including Mullica, Galloway and Hamilton townships, under the foreclosure instituted by the heirs of Stephen Colwell. A mortgage for \$30,000 was given thirty years ago to Stephen Colwell by the Gloucester Farm and Town Association, which purchased the land in question at that time. Upon the association falling to pay the taxes levied by the township committees it was sold for taxes, the purchasers thinking that the tax titles given them by the township were valid, under acts passed by the Legislature at that time authorizing such sales. These acts have been declared by the Supreme Court not to defeat the mortgage lien, and this mortgage therefore remains firm, and was

ordered foreclosed. Great distress will be inflicted upon many farmers, who thus lose the lands they have been cultivating for years. The wives and children of these farmers gathered around the hotel while the sale was in progress, and the scene was a very affecting one. Over a hundred of these farms have been planted by the recent owners with peach, pear and other fruit trees. Berries and grapes have also been extensively cultivated. Now all the labor of years has suddenly been declared to be for nothing. George Lang, one of the evicted farmers became insane and burned his buildings and was himself burned to death in the flames.

#### RAPIDLY RECOVERING.

An Army of Workmen Engaged in Repairing the Damage Done by the Louis-ville Cyclone-No Want of Food or Shelter.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 5 .- One week has now elapsed since the tornado and the city is rapidly recuperating from its effects. The work of repairing the wrecked district is going vigorously forward and that portion of the city is a beehive of carpenters, masons and laborers. Business has resumed its regular channels. The danger of a water famine from the destruction of a stand pipe at the waterworks has been averted by the substitution of a temporary apparatus, which has been working satisfactorily for two days. Water will be turned on to all consumers today and many factories which were

forced to stop will resume. An exaggerated impression has gone abroad as to the extent of the district devastated. Except in the direct track of the whirling tornado, no damage was done and nineteen-twentieths of the city is unharmed. In fact, outside the cyclone's path, the storm was not one of unusual severity. There is no suffering for food or shelter, but many poor people who lost their homes will require money to rebuild.

While Louisville is not soliciting aid from the outside, voluntary subscriptions from other cities will be gratefully received and usefully applied. Only two or three of the wounded by the cyclone have since died, and the list of deaths is only seventy-six, a gratifying reduction from the wild reports the first day that hundreds were killed. The Union Depot will be rebuilt on a larger scale and the tobacco district will be built up better than it was before.

# MARAUDING REDSKINS.

Cheyenne Indians on a Cattle Stealing Rald-Troops Pursua the Rascals. CHEYENNE, Wyo., April 5 .- The mail carrier between Sun Dance and Buffalo and C. W. Rounds, who accompanied him, report seeing a band of Chevenne fied with the application of various Indians at the head of Fortification creek, in Crook County, running down and killing range cattle. The band was supposed to be from the Rosebud agency in Montana. The news created great excitement in Buffalo and an urgent request was made by stock owners to Colonel Henry, commandant at Fort McKinney, to send troops to drive the marauders back to the reservation. A detachment of cavalry and scouts were dispatched.

No loss of life is apprehended, but the presence of the troops will effectually scare the Indians from the country. Cattlemen and ranchmen will be heavy sufferers in stock killed. The country between the scene of the present raid and the Rosebud reservation is almost impassable for troops, being the "bad lands" of No: thern Wyoming. The Indians can travel through it without difficulty and there is but slight possibility of their capture.

# LUTHERANS IN POLITICS. Determined Efforts to be Made by German Members of That Demonination to

Defeat the Advocates of Compulsory Education in Wisconsin-A Hot Fight MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 5 .- The Lu-

therans of this city, happy over the result of their efforts in the municipal election on Tuesday, are confident that the Bennett Compulsory Education law will be made the issue in the State campaign next fall, and that both the Republican party and the law will be defeated. Editor Koerner, of the Ger-mania, says that of the 38,000 voters among the German Lutherans of the State at least one-half are Republicans and every one of these will vote as did the Milwaukee Lutherans on Tuesday. "We are going to be as thoroughly or-ganized," he continued, "throughout the State as we were this week in Milwaukee. And what is more, the fight is to be taken up similarly in Illinois, against the law of that State, and the issue will be made direct.'

# Hunted Down.

NEW YORK, April 5 .- A special from Tegucigalpa, Honduras, says: Edmund Crawford has been arrested at Santa Barbara for the theft of a pa ckage containing \$41,000 in transit from the American Exchange National Bank in New York to the Adams Express Company's office. The package was addressed to the United States Treasurer at Wash ington. A large portion of the mone; was found in Crawford's possession The robbery was committed in Nev York, May 4, 1888. Crawford has con fessed and implicates two others. Th express company spent \$25,000 in tracing Crawford.

#### RAPID PROGRESS

Made by the Commissioner of Pensions in Adjudicating Claims Pending in His

Department. WASHINGTON, April 7. - General Raum, Commissioner of Pansions, has submitted the following report to Secretary Noble of rapid progress recently made in adjudicating claims: On December 23 last I issued an order requiring that an examination of the claims pending in the office should be made and that all cases which appeared to be complete should be placed upon what I denominated the "complete files." As a result of this examination 30,857 cases were placed upon this list, and the adjudicating divisions were required to spend five days in each week in their examination.

Some days later I issued a further order which provided that claims would be placed upon the "completed files" upon the application of the claimants or their attorneys, upon a proper statement of facts showing that the cases were complete. Since the issuing of that order 25,350 cases have, upon motion, been placed upon the "completed files," in all 56,307. During the past three months 52,229 of these cases have been acted upon, and there now remain but 3,978 cases on the "completed files," and applications at the rate of 450 per day are received for placing cases upon the files.

These orders also required that one day in each week should be devoted by the adjudicating divisions exclusively to making calls for additional evidence in pending claims. As a result of this arrangement for the transaction of the business of the office, we are now sending out calls in about 50,000 cases per month, and adjudicating over 16,000 per month, so that we are actually handling about 66,000 cases per month.

During the month just ended, 16,374 ension certificates were issued, being the largest month's work ever performed by the bureau. Of these 8,183 were upon original applications. During the past five days 3,540 certificates were ssued, of which 2,161 were originals.

The business of the office is now in such a condition that every claim placed upon the "completed files" will be taken up and acted upon within the week following the day it is so placed upon the files.

# FEDERATION OF TRAINMEN.

Representatives of the Engineers, Fire-men, Brakemen and Switchmen Take Steps to Unite All the Brotherhoods. ELMIRA, N. Y., April 7 .- Three hunired delegates, representing the Brotherhoods of Locomotive Engineers, Firemen, Brakemen and Switchmen, gathered here Sunday and with a few members of the new Order of Railway Conductors discussed and adopted a scheme of federation between all the organizations of trainmen in the United States. Delegates were present from Buffalo, Jersey City, New York, Hoboken and many places in Pennsylvania and Ohio.

There were two secret meetings during the day and a public meeting was held in the opera house last night. A number of prominent citizens delivered addresses. Grand Master Sargent, of the Firemen's Brotherhood; Grand Conductor Howard, of the Conductors's Grand Master Wilkinson, of the Brakemen's Brotherhood, the well-known 'Sandy" Maguire and other prominent railroad men spoke. They all declared that the federation would be in the interest of harmony and that the death note of strikes on railroads had been sounded. The is the federation under one head of all the different bodies, but each to retain its own organization.

# murderous assault.

Several Persons Stabbed, One Fatally, by Two Brothers Intent on Rushing "the Growler."

NEW YORK, April 7 .- During a quarrel at 32 Cherry street last night, caused by some of the occupants of the tenement refusing to contribute money for "the growler," which was being "rushed" by two notorious characters named Curtin, several persons were stabbed and one, John Sloan, an old longshoreman, will die from his injuries. The Curtins had made a general attack on the tenants, and Sloan with a club tried to drive them away. They wrested his club from him and beat him terribly and also stabbed him with a penknife.

James Lawton, Sloan's son-in-law, was stabbed nine times while trying to defend the old man. Mrs. Sloan and Mary Driscoll were slightly stabbed. The Curtin brothers were captured by officers after a long chase over the roofs. Sloan is dying at the hospital and Lawton is very low.

### STREWN WITH FLOWERS. Confederate Decoration Day Observed in the Crescent City.

NEW ORLEANS, April 7 .- Confederate Decoration Day attracted thousands of visitors to the cemeteries. The Ladies' Confederate Monumental Association the Confederate veteran organizations Sons of Veterans and the citizen sol diery participated. The Grand Army of the Republic did not take part in a body, as no invitation was issued, owing to the division existing in that organi zation, and Union veterans participated individually and sent offerings.

The Lee Confederate Army of Tennessee and Army of Northern Virginia monuments were beautifully decorated. Outside of the other decorations, at the Army of Northern Virginia tomb where the body of Jefferson Davis is interred, the Confederate veterans placed a mag nificent Presidential chair of vellow immortelles, inscribed "To our Chief" in front of the vault.

# A New Trunk Line.

FINDLAY, O., April 7 .- The Pittsburg & Western railroad, which extends to Akron, has purchased the Toledo & Delphos narrow gauge road, which is finished from Carey to Delphos. The track will be made standard guage and extended to Chicago. It is proposed to build from Plymouth to Findlay and then purchase the American Midland system, now in operation between this city and Ottawa, and which is graded as far west as Fort Wayne. Then, by building a short distance, make a greatrunk line between Pittsburg and Chi cago, fifty-two miles shorter than any route now connecting these two cities.

### STATE NEWS ITEMS.

GOVERNOR CAMPBELL has appointed the commission to select a site and approve plans for the erection of an asy-

lum for the epileptic insane. HOWARD CHAWFORD swung 8-1b 10-oz Indian clubs at New Lisbon for 6 hours and 31 minutes, and then quit because

his audience, not himself, was tired. THE post-office at Abeshia, Scioto County, was entered the other night by burglars, stealing money and stamps. McCowen, postmaster, offers a reward for the arrest of the burglars.

THE House authorized the sinking fund commissioners to settle the \$30. 000 claims of the State against Albert Netter.

TRAIN No. 18 on the Big Four struck John Orr two miles west of Larue, a few

nights ago, and killed him instantly. JAMES ROWLEY, employed at Portsmouth Wheel Works, met with a terrible accident by the breaking of a large buzz saw, the other morning, tearing both arms off. He will die.

JAMES WOOD, a poor carpenter of Springfield, received intelligence two moths ago that he was heir to an immense fortune in Chester, England. He went over, investigated, and found the report true. He, with four others, is heir to \$600,000 in land and money. His claim has been filed in the Chancery court and he will get the money in a few weeks. The fortune was left by his grandfather, a sea captain. Mr. Wood returned to Springfield the other day.

THE bill now before Congress extending the free-delivery system of the Post-office Department to places containing a population of not less than five thousand within its corporate limits, or at any post-office which produced a gross revenue the preceeding fiscal year of \$7,000, will include the following towns in this State: Alliance, Ashland, Ashtabula, Bellair, Bellefontaine, Bucyrus, Circleville, Defiance, Galion, Gallipolis, Greenville, Hillsborough, Ironton, Kenton, Lancaster, Lebanon, Marion, Mount Vernon, Pomeroy, Painesville. Sidney, Troy, Van Wert, Washingto . C. H.

Columbus B. P. W. is composed of Messrs. W. W. Wall, E. L. Hinman, Jos. Schwartz and James M. Loren. D. D. Williams is city auditor.

THE largest rolling-mill at Pomeroy out in operation recently, after . e than three years of idleness. Colored men of Cincinnati have incorporated a building and loan company

-the first of the kind in Ohio. JOHN TONGASS, the tramp fiend who murdered his boy companion and burned the body, is convicted by a Celina jury of murder in the second degree.

SAMUEL A. LANDERS, sentenced to the penitentiary from Holmes County for one year for burglary, slipped the handcuffs after alighting from the train at Columbus, the other afternoon, while enroute to the pen with the sheriff, and made good his escape. Another prisoner with him attempted to follow, but was chased by a crowd on North High street

and captured. THE following fourth-class postmasters were commissioned on the 4th: Charm, Holmes County, J. P. Miller; Sparta, Morrow County, J. D. Vail.

WHILE uncoupling cars on the C. L. & W. railway at New Philadelphia, Edward Shammell, of Uhrichsville, fell under the train and was killed. His widow lost a former husband in a railroad accident near the same place two years ago.

WHILE mining for sand at Gaysport, fourteen miles below Zanesville, on the Muskingum, workmen found, 75 feet back in the hill, an iron bolt over two feet long and two skeletons of aborigi-

derer in the Ohio penitentiary waiting to take the rope route; one murdered a little girl, another an old woman, the third an old man, the fourth his cousin and the fifth his mother. Two murders were committed for money, two for revenge and one for pure deviltry.

An unknown person placed a large torpedo on the street railroad track at Canton. It was discovered in time to prevent damage.

MORITZ GRETHER, a saloon-keeper at Canton, was fatally shot by a drunken man whom he refused to sell a glass of Bunglans took a suit of clothes and a

small amount of jewelry from the residence of W. F. Schlabach at Canton. THE nomination of General John G. Mitchel as pension agent at Columbus

has been sent to the Senate. CINCINNATI Socialists have nominated a full city ticket.

THE Board of Managers of the penitentiary paroled the following prisoners the other night: Anna McCord, Hamilton County, grand larceny, two years; Wm. Rudy, Darke County, burglary and larceny, one and a half years; Thomas Archer, Morrow County, cutting to wound, five years; George Gallogly, Muskingum County, manslaughter, fourteen years; Truman Golden, Summit County, burglary, three years; Charles Folk, Hamilton County, horse-stealing. five years; Albert Edwards, Franklin County, burglary, three years; Ora Judy, Franklin County, attempt at larceny, six years; Lemon Denis, Montgomery County, burglary and larceny, one and a half years.

GOVERNOR CAMPBELL has appointed Nathan Ahlefeld, Ferdinand F. Remple, Fred J. Heer, Watkin Watkins and Michael Stanton managers of the Ohio penitentiary.

An Erie brakeman named Burnison was killed by cars near Galion. ELMER L. SHARKEY, who murdered his mother, near Eaton, will be hanged

August 1. THE post-office at West Alexandria was robbed of \$338 in money, a gold

watch and some gold pens. BUDD DRAKE, a noted turfman, was found dead in bed at Killbuck, Holmes County.

An unknown man, supposed to be an Italian, was found dead and badly mangled on the railroad track at Athens, a few days ago.

THREE hundred painters went on a strike at Cleveland on the 1st, because they were refused \$2.50 for nine hours'